

**CITY OF SAN JOSÉ**  
**BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

6:00 P.M., Monday, January 14, 2008  
City Hall, 200 E. Santa Clara St, 8th Fl, Room T847  
San José, CA 95113

**MINUTES**

1. **Call To Order** – Serving as Chair, Mr. DeSantis called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Present

Luis Mendez (Interim Chair)  
Jim Bell  
David Hoag (for Corinne Winter)  
Yolanda Reynolds  
Don Barnett  
Marylou Avanzino

Council Liaison

Councilmember Oliverio

Staff

John Brazil, DOT  
Laura Wells, DOT

Absent

Bob Halem  
Jill Escher  
Charlie Payne  
Lane Parker  
Lawrence deSantis

Guests

Deb Lefferts  
John Graff  
Martin Delson  
Richard Silva  
Akos Szoboszlay

Being the most senior member, Mr. Mendez served as chair for this meeting.

2. **Approve Order of Business** – Approved.
3. **Oral Petitions** – David Hoag thanked the City of San José for fixing the westbound Tully Road at Hwy 101 striping. He also thanked the City's Trail Program for responding to his inquiries about sponsoring a city trail for cleanup and maintenance.
4. **Approve Minutes of December 10, 2007** – Barnett moved approval, Avanzino seconded. Members noted a typographical error in item 8. The motion passed 6-0-0.
5. **New Business**
- a. **Officer Elections & Committee Priorities** – Discussion of Committee priorities was continued to the next meeting. While officer elections have historically followed the calendar year, Mr. Brazil noted that the bylaws call for them to follow the fiscal year. Therefore, the committee agreed by consensus that the current officers (Chair Payne, Vice-Chair Winter) would serve through June 30, 2008.

**b. City Traffic Calming Program** – Mr. Brazil introduced Laura Wells, Division Manager, Neighborhood Traffic Management. Ms. Wells provided an overview of the City's Traffic Calming Program and distributed informational materials. She noted that, to qualify for traffic calming improvements, it must be shown an adverse traffic condition defined as traffic speeds that are at least 10% above the city average for similar street types and traffic volumes. Ms. Wells highlighted many of the accomplishments of the program. Mr. Hoag asked why only some streets near schools are posted 25mph. Ms. Wells explained that, under state law, all streets adjacent to schools have a 25mph speed limit, whether posted or not. Ms. Wells provided her contact information and requested that any comments on the Traffic Calming Program be sent to her ASAP.

**6. Old Business**

**a. Ped & ADA Master Plan Update** – Mr. Brazil reported on progress of this project and noted the committee will receive its third and final report from the consultant team at the February 2008 BPAC meeting.

**b. Crosstown Signed Bikeway Pilot Project** – Mr. Brazil reported that this project is currently being implemented and should be complete by Bike to Work Day. Committee members suggested a ribbon cutting event in the future.

**c. Wrong-Way Signage Pilot Project** – Mr. Brazil reported that this project is scheduled for completion this fiscal year. Staff will recommend a corridor for installation. The committee will continue to receive updates until the project is complete.

**d. Bike Friendly Signal Detection -**

**e. Bike Lane Projects** – Mr. Brazil reported that the Bike/Ped Program is considering the installation of bike lanes on segments of the following streets: Aborn, Cunningham, Hostetter, Morrill, Nieman, Ruby, Sierra, and Technology. The program has resources to implement three to four of these projects. He asked BPAC members if they had any preferences. Members expressed interest in each project, and no preferences were stated.

**f. City Tree Policy** – In response to BPAC member requests, Mr. Brazil contacted the City Arborist who confirmed he'll provide a presentation at the March 10, 2008 BPAC meeting.

**g. Amgen Tour of California** – The City of San José will again host a stage finish in the Amgen Tour of California (ATOC) next month. ATOC has included a stage finish in San José every year. This year's route will come over Mt. Hamilton before going up Sierra Road and finishing outside city hall on Wednesday, February 20, 2008. Mr. Brazil provided a website for more information and a contact for volunteer opportunities. The Webcor King of the Mountain ride will be held February 16, 2008. It will again be open to the public and require advance registration. Proceeds will benefit the local non-profit Fit for Learning.

**7. Staff Report** – Mr. Brazil reported: (1) The inaugural San Jose Cycling Classic, a weekend of bicycling races and events including a criterium race and century ride, has been postponed to 2009; (2) Bike to Work Day will be held on Thursday, May 15, 2008; and (3) the Bike/Ped Program has hired a part-time intern to conduct field analysis and identify feasible sites to install public bike racks.

**8. Committee Member Comments** – Mr. Parker provided a brief update on activities of the Valley Transportation Authority's BPAC. Ms. Reynolds said she'd seen information on

television about collisions, and seen information elsewhere about Portland's Bike Box roadway striping.

The next meeting is scheduled for 6pm, February 11, 2008.

9. **Adjourn** – The meeting was adjourned at 7.45 PM.